



2877
JFV
+

0001/PTO Rev. 10/95		U.S. Department of Commerce Patent and Trademark Office	
TRANSMITTAL FORM <i>(to be used for all correspondence during pendency of filed application)</i>		Application Number	10/029,957
		Filing Date	December 21, 2001
		First Named Inventor	Steven W. Meeks
		Group Art Unit Number	2877
		Examiner Name	Tu T. Nguyen
Total Number of Pages in This Submission	3*	Attorney Docket Number	20830-06581

ENCLOSURES (check all that apply)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Fee Transmittal Form (in duplicate) <input type="checkbox"/> Check Enclosed	<input type="checkbox"/> Issue Fee Transmittal
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Return Receipt Postcard	<input type="checkbox"/> Letter to Chief Draftsperson
<input type="checkbox"/> Response to Notice to File Missing Parts	<input type="checkbox"/> Formal Drawing(s): [] Sheet(s) of Figure(s) []
<input type="checkbox"/> Assignment & Recordation Cover Sheet	<input type="checkbox"/> Appeal Communication to Board of Appeals and Interferences
<input type="checkbox"/> Declaration	<input type="checkbox"/> Appeal Communication to Group (Appeal Notice, Brief, Reply Brief)
<input type="checkbox"/> Power of Attorney	<input type="checkbox"/> Certified Copy of Priority Document(s)
<input type="checkbox"/> Application Data Sheet	<input type="checkbox"/> After Allowance Communication to Group
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Information Disclosure Statement & PTO/SB/08A <input type="checkbox"/> Copies of IDS Cited References	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> Request for Corrected Filing Receipt	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> Request for Correction of Recorded Assignment	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> Amendment/Response: [] Page(s) <input type="checkbox"/> After Final	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> Status Request	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> Revocation and Substitute Power of Attorney	<input type="checkbox"/>
REMARKS: * No. of pages in this Submission does not include transmittal letter	

SIGNATURE OF ATTORNEY OR AGENT		
Signature:		
Attorney/Reg. No.:	John T. McNelis, Reg. No. 37,186	Dated: 3 Feb 2005

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING		
I hereby certify that this correspondence, including the enclosures identified above, is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on the date shown below. If the Express Mail Mailing Number is filled in below, then this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" service pursuant to 37 CFR 1.10.		
Signature:		
Typed or Printed Name:	John T. McNelis	Dated: 4 Feb 2005
Express Mail Mailing Number (optional):		



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANT: Steven W. Meeks
APPLICATION NO.: 10/029,957
FILING DATE: December 21, 2001
TITLE: MATERIAL INDEPENDENT OPTICAL PROFILOMETER
EXAMINER: Tu T. Nguyen
GROUP ART UNIT: 2877
ATTY. DKT. NO.: 20830-06581

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner For Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on the date shown below:

Dated: 4 Feb 2005

By: [Signature]
John T. McNelis, Reg. No.: 37,186

MAIL STOP ISSUE FEE
COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
P.O. BOX 1450
ALEXANDRIA, VA 22313-1450

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
Under 37 CFR §§ 1.56 and 1.97-98

SIR:

Pursuant to the provisions of 37 CFR §§ 1.56 and 1.97-98, enclosed herewith is modified form PTO/SB/08A listing references for consideration by the Examiner. Enclosed is a copy of each listed non-patent reference that may be material to the examination of this application, and for which there may be a duty to disclose.

The filing of this Information Disclosure Statement shall not be construed as a representation regarding the completeness of the list of references, or that inclusion of a reference in this list is an admission that it is prior art or is pertinent to this application, or that a search has been made, or as an admission that the information listed is, or may be considered to be, material to patentability, or that no other material information exists, and shall not be construed as an admission against interest in any manner.

This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed:

- ☒ after the payment of the issue fee. Applicant requests that the information contained in this Information Disclosure Statement be placed in the file according


PATENT

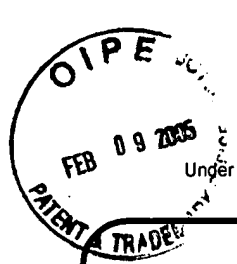
to 37 CFR § 1.97(i), although the information may not be considered by the USPTO.

- ☒ Applicant submits that no fee is required for the consideration of this Information Disclosure Statement.

Respectfully submitted,
STEVEN W. MEEKS

Dated: 3 Feb 2005

By: 
John T. McNelis, Reg. No.: 37,186
Fenwick & West LLP
Silicon Valley Center
801 California Street
Mountain View, CA 94041
Tel.: (650) 335-7133
Fax.: (650) 938-5200



Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it contains a valid OMB control number.

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT BY APPLICANT				Substitute for form 1449A/PTO	
				Complete if Known	
				Application No.	10/029,957
				Filing Date	December 21, 2001
				First Named Inventor	Steven W. Meeks
				Art Unit	2877
Examiner Name	Tu T. Nguyen				
Attorney Docket Number	20830-06581				
Sheet	1	of	1		

U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS				
Examiner Initials*	Cite No. ¹	Document No. Number – Kind Code ² (if known)	Date MM-DD-YYYY	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document
	A1	US-4,182,259	01-1980	Garner et al.
	A2	US-5,754,297	05-1998	Nulman, Jaim
	A3	US-6,043,502	03-2000	Ahn, Byung-seol

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS					
Examiner Initials*	Cite No. ¹	Foreign Patent Document Country Code ³ – Number ⁴ Kind Code ⁵ (if known)	Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	T ⁶

OTHER REFERENCES – NON-PATENT LITERATURE DOCUMENTS				
Examiner Initials*	Cite No. ¹	Include name of the author (in CAPITAL LETTERS), title of the article (when appropriate), title of the item (book, magazine, journal, serial, symposium, catalog, etc.), date, page(s), volume-issue number(s), publisher, city and/or country where published	T ⁶	

Examiner Signature		Date Considered	
--------------------	--	-----------------	--

*EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609.
Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.

¹Applicant's unique citation designation number (optional). ²See Kinds Codes of USPTO Patent Documents at www.uspto.gov or MPEP 901.04. ³Enter Office that issued the document, by the two-letter code (WIPO Standard ST.3). ⁴For Japanese patent documents, the indication of the year of the reign of the Emperor must precede the serial number of the patent document. ⁵Kind of document by the appropriate symbols as indicated on the document under WIPO Standard ST. 16 if possible. ⁶Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language Translation is attached.